

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

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If a specific payment is designated for printing, create check process 16 directs the output to a printer 20 for the generation of printed checks 22. Create check process 16 accepts the payment data from accounting software 12 and merges this data into a predetermined form along with magnetic ink character recognition (MICR) characters and electronic images to create a laser printed check. Create check process 16 is capable of printing checks on a large number of differing types of MICR-capable printers. All the data (e.g. payment, forms, MICR, encrypted signatures and logos) is processed together to produce a laser printed check in a single pass through a desktop laser printer. In addition to a supported-type printer, other required items include MICR toner and approved check stock.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 24 of the original disclosure, as previously amended in the amendment dated June 9, 2006, with the following replacement paragraph:

Electronic payment processing center 24 receives the electronic payment transmissions and processes the payments. A typical electronic payment processing center 24 includes such entities as Checkfree, Electronic Data Systems (EDS), Visa Interactive as well as other electronic payment processing capable centers. Electronic payment processing center 24 reads the electronic payment file and determines whether a vendor (i.e. recipient of payments) is capable of accepting electronic payments. If a particular vendor is not electronic-capable, a printed check 28 is generated by printer 26 and mailed to the vendor by electronic payment processing center 24 as opposed to being mailed by user 10.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 17 of the original disclosure, as previously amended in the amendment dated June 9, 2006, with the following replacement paragraph:

A create check vendor data base 44 is a data base of vendor information such as a vendor ID and other vendor information. A create check/send check dynamic data exchange (DDE) server 46 reads the print data presented from accounts payable check print data 42. A routing manager may be used at step 50 and then a send check plug-in 52 tries to match each vendor in the print check data to a vendor in a send check vendor data base 54. Send check vendor data base 54 is comprised of information such as an ID, name, address line 1, address line 2, city, state, zip code, telephone number, account number, internal number, Soundex matching string, modified flag electronic flag, full match flag, add flag, delete flag, confirmation number and status, among others. Vendors capable of electronic payment are initially established in send check vendor data base 54.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 1 of the original disclosure with the following replacement paragraph:

In the present invention, vendor matching is accomplished by comparing the vendor number/ID (for example, PR421 in the above example) or vendor name (for example, Power Rents in the above example) and the print data to the vendor records in send check vendor data base 54. If a vendor number/ID is present in the print data, an exact match is required. If a vendor selection screen (Figure 4) is displayed, the user has the ability to make changes for specific payments for that run. After all changes and modification have been made, the user continues processing. If a vendor match was discovered, the payment is passed into the electronic dynamic link library (DLL) 56 and a payment record is created in the electronic DLL data base 58. DLL data base 58 may maintain a different format

for each of the different processing centers while the data bases may minimally contain items such as vendor name, vendor address, check amount, check number, check date, remittance (invoice) information and account number.

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 16 line 22 and reading "What is claimed is:"

Please insert the following new paragraph before the first claim beginning on page 17 line 1 of the original disclosure:

What is claimed is:

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